REMARKS

Claims 82-91 and 94 are all the claims pending in the application; claims 82 and 84 have been allowed; claims 83, 85-91 and 94 stand rejected.

Upon entry of this amendment, claims 82 and 84 will be pending.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional and/or continuation application with respect to the cancelled claims.

No new matter has been added. Entry of the amendment is respectfully requested.

I. Rejection of Claims Under 35 U.S.C. §112

A. At paragraph 6 of the Office Action, the rejection of claims 85-91 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite, has been maintained, and extended to claim 94.

While Applicants maintain that the rejected claims are definite as written, Applicants note that upon entry of the instant amendment, claims 85-91 and 94 will be cancelled, thus making this rejection moot. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection.

B. At paragraph 9 of the Office Action, the rejection of claims 83 and 85-91 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as being non-enabled, has been maintained, and extended to claim 94.

While Applicants maintain that the rejected claims are fully enabled by the specification, Applicants note that upon entry of the instant amendment, claims 83, 85-91 and 94 will be

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cancelled, thus making this rejection moot. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request

reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection.

At paragraph 11 of the Office Action, claims 83, 85-91 and 94 are rejected under C.

35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as lacking written description.

While Applicants maintain that the rejected claims have adequate written description

support in the application, Applicants note that upon entry of the instant amendment, claims 83,

85-91 and 94 will be cancelled, thus making this rejection moot. Accordingly, Applicants

respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection.

II. Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed

to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the

Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is

kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue

Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any

overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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